

Date: July 19, 2011

To: Thomas J. Bonfield, City Manager
Through: Theodore L. Voorhees, Deputy City Manager
From: Marvin G. Williams, Director of Public Works
Edward R. Venable, Manager of Engineering and Stormwater
Subject: Agenda Item – Mini Assessment Rolls for Curb, Gutter and Paving; Water and Sewer Laterals on Swansea Street from Sherbon Drive to the North Property Line of Tax Map 254-2-1

Executive Summary

The City Council, at its meeting on April 18, 2011, held a public hearing regarding the assessment of curb, gutter and paving and water and sewer laterals on a portion of Swansea Street. Both assessment rolls were confirmed with the exception of the property of Iva N. Stinson, due to objections to the assessments by Ms. Stinson. Council action is required to confirm or relieve the said assessments.

Recommendation

The Public Works Department recommends that City Council confirm the curb, gutter and paving assessment against the property of Iva N. Stinson in the original amount in accordance with policy as shown on the attached mini roll. The Public Works Department further recommends that City Council grant relief until tap on of the water lateral assessment against the property of Iva N. Stinson as shown on the attached mini roll. The recommended relief is in accordance with policy.

Background

Iva N. Stinson objected to the proposed assessments against her property, described as 3311 Swansea Street, PIN 0810-11-65-0550. This property does not meet any of the criteria for relief established by the Assessment Relief Policy for curb, gutter and paving assessments and is therefore not eligible for relief of assessment. However, this property is eligible for relief until tap on of the water lateral assessment under the Assessment Relief Policy.

Issues and Analysis:

Section 77 of the Charter of the City of Durham dictates that City Council hold a public hearing before final confirmation of the mini assessment roll.

Alternatives:

There is not an alternative per the City Charter.

Financial Impacts:

Once the public hearing is held, the City can proceed with collecting payment for any assessments confirmed by City Council.

SBDE Summary:

N/A

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